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In hopes that St. Nicholas  
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## VIEWS OF THE NEWS

By LEONARD F. JAMES

The editors of Life magazine have cause for self-congratulation. They have that rare gift of reducing complexities to simple terms. So rare indeed, that in 317 words they can resolve the problem of what to do about Formosa. These able men should be released for service with the state department. The problem that has faced the United States since 1943 would then be settled with quick dispatch. For Life regards world affairs and fiction as almost identical. Clear-cut, simple, straightforward. The Formosa issue certainly isn't complex—as Life sees it.

In fact, it is solved as precisely as a mathematical process. The Chinese communists are enemies of the United States. Any recognition "which signifies approval" of the communist regime is approval of a United States enemy. More, it is surrender to it. Formosa can be denied to the communists by military occupation of the island, or by renewed support of Chiang Kai-shek. Either method means the use of United States military forces. As a parting thought to clinch the argument, Life advises Dean Acheson to come to grips with one or two tough problems, such as communism in Asia.

Support Chiang—Regardless?

Nothing could be simpler. Acheson merely has to make up his mind, and the rest is clear going. We defend Formosa, the Chiang regime is presumably saved. For what isn't revealed. But at least (Continued on Page Six)

## Ass't Assessors For 1950 Named

The board of assessors Monday night appointed the assistant assessors for the coming year.

Named for this work were: Leonard Elliot, precinct 1; Louise B. Manock, precinct 2; Catherine J. Noyes, precinct 3; Mary L. Noyes, precinct 4; Ernest N. Hall, precinct 5; and Margaret H. McFarland, precinct 6.

They will start on their duties sometime after the first of the year, probably Jan. 3.

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Just how Santa Claus with his big bag of toys is ever going to get down through that narrow chimney to fill their stockings Christmas eve is the chief concern right now of Raleigh, 2 (left) and Peter, 3, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Raleigh Bright of River st., Ballardvale, as they watch every night to see if they can help him in case he makes an early visit to their home. (Ted Cole Photo)

## To Present Views On School Survey

A most interesting discussion is promised at the pre-town meeting symposium to be held Wednesday evening, Jan. 4 in the Memorial auditorium on the recent school survey.

Quite a number of speakers are expected to present their views on the report that recommended replacing all present elementary schools, except the Shawsheen, with new buildings. The consultants who made the report, school officials and other speakers from civic organizations have expressed their willingness to give their opinions at the meeting being staged under the sponsorship of the Central PTA and other parent-teacher groups of the town.

Roy E. Hardy, chairman of the board of selectmen and assessors, will be one of the speakers at this meeting. Mr. Hardy made an extensive study of the costs of constructing new school buildings as proposed, and has presented a financial plan showing the way they might affect the tax rate. Mr. Hardy's plan was based on a construction cost of a million dollars, (20 percent of which to be borne by the state) spread over a period of 16 years.

Many interesting opinions of the school situation are expected to be presented at the meeting which is of vital interest to all taxpayers.

## New Traffic Island For Shawsheen Sq.

### Ends Long Service At Marland Mills

William M. Taylor of 182 N. Main st., overseer in the weave room of the Marland mills who retired after 32 years service, was tendered a testimonial at the Shawsheen Manor Saturday night by officials and employees of the mill and presented with a purse. Mrs. Taylor, who was seated at the head table with her husband, was presented with a bouquet of red roses.

Many of the 145 who attended were officials from Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill as well as from Andover.

The affair was arranged by a committee of weave room associates of Mr. Taylor, and included Mrs. Vera Nadeau, Miss Irene Barrett and Joseph Bedard. The presentation was made by Joseph Caragher of Lowell, master of ceremonies.

Among those seated at the head table were the following from Andover: Joseph Higginson, superintendent of the Marland mill. Former Assistant Superintendent William H. Faulkner and Mrs. Faulkner, Mr. and Mrs. James Higgins, Mr. and Mrs. David Dolg, Assistant Superintendent David Markert, Mr. and Mrs. Taylor.

## Red Cross Appeals For Blood Donors

The greatest possible participation in the Andover blood bank program is the aim of the committee organized by the local Red Cross for the visit of the bloodmobile here Jan. 16 and 17.

Coming to the South church it will receive blood donations from Andover residents from 1 to 7 p. m. both days, Victor J. Mill, Jr., chairman of the committee, announces.

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### Boosters Report Drive A Success

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The Boosters' club conducted a very successful campaign this fall according to a financial report just submitted by James P. Christie, club treasurer.

The Boosters and their energetic assistants brought in enough money not only to buy new uniforms for the all-girls' band at Punchard and pay all Boosters' day expenses, but in addition there was \$572 for parkas for the football team, an emergency \$250 for the track team, after which the treasurer reported a moderate balance.

Much of the success of the program was due to the cooperation of local merchants who so liberally donated numerous prizes that were awarded the afternoon of the Punchard-Lexington football game on the playstead.

The treasurer's report showed total collections of \$4,121.88 and expenditures of \$3,861.36 itemized as follows:

Receipts: Donations, \$678.50; sale of refreshments, \$109.38; ticket donations, \$3,334. Total, \$4,121.88.  
Expenses: Uniforms, \$2,108.98; postage, \$21.75; advertising, \$24; paint, \$68.98; printing, \$167; prizes, \$550; megaphones, \$24.15; refreshment booths, \$56.36; flowerers, \$18; football parkas, \$572.14; track team, \$250. Total \$3,861.36.

## Shawsheen Pole Locations Denied

Petitions for pole locations for lights on Canterbury and William streets in Shawsheen Village were denied Monday night by the board of selectmen in view of the objections raised by property owners.

Opposition to the first petition was against the proposed wooden poles, and to the second was against poles and overhead wires.

After denying the Canterbury street petition the selectmen requested the lighting committee to arrange with the Lawrence Gas & Electric Co., for the installation of two lights on the westerly end of the street to be placed on existing poles.

This petition was first introduced on request of Ralph Wilkinson for a single light at 28 Canterbury st. When this came before the lighting committee a conference was held with the Lawrence Gas & Electric Co. officials who made a complete lay-out of (Continued on Page Twelve)

## Yule Seal Sale Totals \$2200

With just a few days remaining before Christmas the Andover receipts in the 1949 Christmas seal sale totalled \$2,200.50, it was revealed today by Mrs. Frank L. Brigham, chairman of the Andover Christmas seal committee. Further returns are expected to increase this amount in the next few days.

In urging that all returns be made as early as possible, Mrs. Brigham said that it will mean that the Essex County Health association can go forward with its 1950 plans to protect the health of the community. "The association's program for tuberculosis prevention for the coming year," Mrs. Brigham added, "depends on the success of the 1949 Christmas seal sale since the sale constitutes the association's sole financial support."

Piled high with mail sacks and parcel post packages the post office found itself in the midst of a somewhat belated Christmas rush this week when an avalanche of last-minute Christmas packages and greeting cards hit the local postal system.

Although the office handled a great amount of business last week when 204,000 pieces of mail went through the cancelling machines, the peak of this year's mailing did not reach the post office until Tuesday of this week when 55,590 pieces of mail were cancelled, an all-time record for the local office. The previous single day's record was 51,000 for Dec. 18, last year.

With 30 or more temporary mail handlers engaged to assist his regular staff, Postmaster Stephen A. Boland had both incoming and outgoing mail flowing smoothly through the office so that deliveries all over town have been prompt.

Postmaster Boland said today that every piece of mail posted up to 2 p. m. Saturday will be delivered before Christmas day.

Assisting the regular staff this season are following temporary mail handlers.

Silas E. Foster, Peter C. Smith, John A. McClellan, Sumner F. Davis, George H. Judge, Jr., Theodore Boudreau, Earl A. Baker, Jr., George M. Collins, Jr., James P. Christie, Jr., James F. Belne, Richard N. Smillie, Robert F. Cody, James J. Coleman, Robert E. Look, Vincent P. Davey, John P. Dwyer, Julia M. Daly, Edward L. O'Connor, William Lowe, Robert Creamer, Clinton S. Shaw, John W. McGrath, Hugh H. Andrews, John G. Higgins, Franklin L. Haggerty, Fred R. McCord, James H. Donaghey, Raymond H. Lloyd, John P. O'Connor, William P. Doyle, Jr.

## Dr. Coe To Speak In Church Series

The Rev. Alfred Buckner Coe, D.D., president and minister of the Massachusetts Congregational Conference and Missionary society, will be the chapel speaker on Sunday, Feb. 12, in the University of Life series sponsored by the Andover Council of Churches.

His subject for the evening will be "The Church of the Future," he will also lead the seminar on the Christian church which will immediately follow his address.

The University of Life will meet for six Sunday evenings Jan. 29 to Mar. 5. The first three evenings will be in the Free church and the last three in the South church.

### DRUG STORES CLOSING

The drug stores in town will close at 1 p. m. both Sunday and Monday during the Christmas observance Dec. 25 and 26.



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## SHAWSHEEN

Mrs. G. Edgar Best, Correspondent, Telephone 171

### DRAMATIC DEPARTMENT

The dramatic department of the Shawsheen Village Woman's club presented a beautiful Christmas pantomime at their December meeting at the home of Mrs. Arthur Steinert. The pantomime was under the direction of Mrs. Sherman Locke with Mrs. Donald Kent as narrator. Miss Carol Emmerick, a student in the sixth grade of the Shawsheen school was soloist. A group of carolers, members of the group, sang Christmas carols during the afternoon.

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A social hour was enjoyed prior to the afternoon's program with Mrs. James J. Faggiano and Mrs. Edwin Bramley, pouring.

Mrs. Steinert's home was beautifully decorated for the Christmas season and the Christmas spirit prevailed throughout the afternoon.

### Christmas Vacations

The Shawsheen school will close its doors Thursday noon for the beginning of the Christmas vacation which all the children are eagerly looking forward to.

A lovely Christmas program was presented Wednesday morning in the auditorium of the school under the direction of Miss Anne Harnedy, principal, and all the teachers of the school.

### Personals

Mrs. and Mrs. Stafford Lindsay, Jr., and their daughter Carol, are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Stafford Lindsay of 6 Argyle st., for the Christmas season.

The Misses June and Jean Steinert arrived home for their

## Obituaries . . .

### MRS. EMMA F. HILL

Mrs. Emma Frances (Colburn) Hill, widow of Ira B. Hill, 93 Central st., a resident of Andover for many years, died at her home Dec. 10, following a three weeks' illness. Born in Hollis, N. H., June 16, 1863, Mrs. Hill came to Andover about 60 years ago and had made her home here ever since.

She was a member of Andover Grange, No. 183, the South church and the sewing department of the Women's union of that church. She regularly attended the Thursday meetings of the sewing department and amazed her younger associates by the volume of work she turned out for their hospital and charitable projects. At her age she had lost hosts of friends, but she died in the midst of many new ones, for they gathered around her as naturally as flowers come in the spring.

She leaves two daughters, Gladys A. and Marion E. Hill, both of Andover; a nephew, Charles A.

Christmas vacation during the past week. They are the daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Steinert of 1 Union st., and are senior members of Virginia Intermont college in Bristol, Va.

John B. Young, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hiram R. Young of 10 Argyle st. is home for the Christmas season from New Hampton school, New Hampton, N. H.

The Misses Barbara and Nancy Schulze, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Carleton Schulze of 1 Carlsbrooke st., are at home for their Christmas vacations. Miss Barbara Schulze is in her second year at Simmons college in Boston and Miss Nancy Schulze is a senior at Abbot academy.

Miss Gretchen Clement, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Scott D. Clement of 72 Poor st. is at home for her Christmas vacation from Kendall Hall, Peterborough, N. H.

Prof. and Mrs. J. N. Woodcock, formerly of Toronto, are visiting their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Alan Woodcock of Haverhill street for the holidays. Prof. Woodcock is the retired head of the classic department of Trinity college, University of Toronto.

Between 55 and 65 million bunches of bananas are shipped from Central America to the United States annually.

Hill of Andover, and two nieces, Mrs. Ernest Marvel of Hollis, N. H., and Mrs. A. C. Wetmore of Nashua, N. H.

The funeral was held from the late home Tuesday, Dec. 13, with services conducted by the Rev. Frederick B. Noss, pastor of the South church. Burial was in Spring Grove cemetery, where the Rev. Mr. Noss conducted the committal services.

The bearers were: Sidney P. White, Charles B. M. Whiteside, Alexander Henderson, George J. Adams, Frederick M. Carter and Fred W. Doyle.

### MISS ALICE M. BELL

The funeral of Miss Alice M. Bell, 70, of Haggetts Pond road, who died Dec. 16 at the Lawrence General hospital, was held Monday afternoon with services in the Free Congregational church conducted by the Rev. Levering Reynolds, Jr.

Ivar Sjoström was organist at the services and the ushers were Leslie Christianson, William Orr, Sherman Boutwell and Howard Morrison. Cremation followed at Harmony grove, Salem.

Miss Bell suffered a fall the afternoon of Dec. 13 as she was leaving a meeting at a home on Stratford road. Some hours later she was found in a state of collapse in her automobile on Pundard avenue and taken to the hospital.

She was born here, educated in the local schools and attended college in Boston and Belgium. For more than 25 years she was engaged as a social worker in Lowell until her retirement two years ago. She was a member of the Free church and the Tuesday Club.

Surviving are an aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. John L. Morrison, residing at the Nevins Home, Methuen, and several cousins.

### WILLIAM AUGUSTINE CONNOR

William Augustine Connor, 73, died Monday, Dec. 19 at his home, 18 Elm st. following a short illness.

The deceased was born in Lawrence and has lived in Andover for the past 36 years. He was employed by the Lawrence Gas and Electric Co. for 30 years prior to his retirement in 1945. He was a member of St. Augustine's church.

Mr. Connor is survived by two daughters, Miss Mary C. Connor and Mrs. Catherine Doherty; one son Joseph W. Connor; one brother, Arthur H. Connor of Methuen; one sister, Mrs. Mary Dempsey of Lawrence; five grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held this morning with a solemn high mass of requiem at 9:30 a.m. in St. Augustine's church. Burial was in the family lot in St. Augustine's cemetery.

**Forest Fire District**  
Andover has been placed in forest fire district 5 in a recent revision of the districts of the state. This now embraces only Essex county. Previously Andover was in district 4 which included Essex and part of Middlesex county.

### Art Display

The annual display of oils, watercolors and pencil drawings by Andover and North Andover artists may be seen daily until

Dec. 27 at the Addison Art gallery. These paintings by local artists are prepared each year for sale at Christmas time and may be purchased at any time during the exhibition.



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## Pageant Presented By Central Schools

Pupils of the central schools presented their annual Christmas pageant at the Memorial auditorium Sunday afternoon before a large audience of parents and friends.

Entitled "Come Ye to Bethlehem" the pageant was given in three scenes, a hillside not far from Bethlehem, a street scene in Bethlehem and at the manger.

The cast: Reader, Paul Wennik; four shepherds, Glenn Peatman, David White, John Murray and Robert Nolin; the boy Reuben, Paul Gaskill; two merchants, Robert Redfern and Allen Vaughn; Ganar, the blind man, Elbert Weaver; Mary, Marcia Tangney; Joseph, Walter Potvin; three kings, George Adams, James Butler, and Paul Gallant; angel of prophecy, Peggy Cronin.

Angels—Betsey Gilcreast, Joy Partridge, Rosalie Cardella, Judith Clough, Joan Glidden, Sandra Stewart, Delight Wilson, Ann Dolan, Deborah Smith and Jacquelyn Smith.

Street and manger scene: participants—Christine Maynard, Glenn Moore, Stephen O'Connor, Meredythe Osgood, Sara Paisley, Marjorie Parker, David Pingree, Lois Rollins, Ruth Santuccio, Valerie Shaw, Anthony Shepherd, Joan Silva, Audrey Smith, Diane Sorota, Beverly Spofford, Bernice Stentford, Marjorie Stewart, Mary Alice Sullivan, Marjorie Swenson, Audrey Tuttle, Thelma White, Allen Zecchini and Dennis Zielenaski.

Choral group—Peter Anderson, Jeffrey Arnold, Beverly Bernard, Charles Bowman, Patty Brennan, Joan Butler, Robert Campbell, Shirley Cignoni, Philip Colquhoun, Richard Currier, Agnes Daley, Charles Dalton, Sumner Davis, Carol Ann Desrocher, Ann DiClemente, Billy Dobbie, Arthur Dominique, Billy Edwards, Tommy Emmons, Marilyn Emsley, Betty Ann Fitzgerald, Carl Fraser, Ruth Ann Frederickson, Josephine Furnari, Alice Gaudet, Randy Sasing, Sandra Glennie, Joan Hathaway, Gail Higgins, Jon Higgins, Nancy Hird, Danielle Johnston, Patsy Johnson, Cecily Kemper, Helen Kilman, Arlene Kneath, Sally Leavitt, Barbara LeGendre, Patience Lewin, William McCollum, Jane McKiniry, Sandra McKiniry, Joan Mortimer, Frank Nicoll, Robert Nicoll, Howard Porter, Charlotte Ripley, Virginia Ripley, Claudia Sandberg, Elizabeth Sarkisian, Ann Sherman, Helen Sidebottom, David Simpson, Ann Staples, Gertrude Stewart, Nancy Swift, Alexander Thomson, William Vickers, George Waterston, Donald Westcott, Elaine Whitney, Edith Williams, Glenn Williams, and Joshua Young.

Soloist, Ann Sherman.

Girls' choral speech group—Christine Maynard, Meredythe Osgood, Sara Paisley, Marjorie Parker, Lois Rollins, Ruth Santuccio, Valerie Shaw, Joan Silva, Audrey Smith, Diane Sorota, Beverly Spofford, Bernice Stentford, Marjorie Swenson, Audrey Tuttle and Thelma White.



Group at the get-together recently held at the Methodist church, Ballardvale, in which the latter members were hosts to the members of the South Tewksbury Methodist church. From left to right, Mrs. Henry Meyers, in charge of the program; Mrs. John M. Wilson, president of the Women's society for Christian missions; the Rev. Earl D. Hayward, pastor of the church; Mrs. Hayward; Mrs. John Duke, chairman of the evening; and the Rev. Paul E. Callahan minister of the Union Congregational church, Ballardvale (Cole Photo)

## Catholic Club Plans Ladies' Night

Plans are being made to surpass the previous successes of the Ladies' night of the Andover Catholic club, which will be held at the Andover Country club, Jan. 14, 1950, with dinner at 7:30 p. m. followed by dancing.

The newly elected officers of the club, Robert A. Walsh, president; Frank J. O'Connor, vice president; James D. Doherty, secretary;

Frank S. Twomey, treasurer; and William F. Simeone, director until 1952, will be installed at the dinner.

Tickets for this affair, may be obtained from the committeemen. Reservations close Jan. 7, 1950.

The committee follows: James Sheard, chairman, Leo Walsh, Joseph Barton, Eugene Bernardin, Jr., Thomas Colgan, Augustine Delaney, William Doherty, Dr. William Doyle, Peter Flannery, Philip Gaudet, P. John Connor, John Hewett, Fernand Lussier,

Ernest Matton, Patrick McCafferty, John J. Minahan, T. John Riley, William F. Simeone, Joseph J. Tanguey, Frank Twomey, William Busby, William Collins, John B. McAllister, James Dolan, Frank Killelea, Victor Mill, Jr., Joseph Cardella, Cornelius Cussen, John Cussen, Edward J. Lefebvre, George Dumont, John Grecoe, Joseph Comber, Edward Dowd, Louis Gleason, Dr. Frank Hayden, George McCarthy, Walter McDonald, Frank Nelligan, Timothy J. Scanlon and Vincent Treanor.

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## SERVICE LEAGUE PARTY

The members of the Women's Service League of the Union Congregational church held their Christmas party Wednesday.

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Community singing was enjoyed by the group. Games were played under the direction of Mrs. Ernest Edwards. Gifts were exchanged adding to the enjoyment of those present. Mrs. Ernest Edwards, Mrs. Rankin Grant and Mrs. Leslie Hadley served as a committee for the affair.

## PTA Meeting

The guest speaker at the January meeting of the Ballardvale PTA will be Miss M. Dorothy Baker of Abbot academy faculty.

Miss Baker, an authority on the history of English towns, will use the city of Bath as her topic telling of the past, present and future of that spot.

An invitation has been sent to the other PTA's in Andover and a general invitation is given to all interested persons to attend.

Bart Smalley, president, will conduct the business meeting and a social hour will be held following the address by Miss Baker.

## Friendly Guild

After the regular business meeting of the Friendly Guild held Friday evening, a Christmas party was enjoyed.

Mrs. Frank Green was the hostess with Mrs. Charles Walcott as co-hostess. Mrs. Randolph Perry had charge of the devotional service.

Gifts were exchanged by the members and each person also brought a gift to be distributed by the Salvation Army.

Mrs. Paul Callahan was presented with a beautiful birthday cake in honor of her birthday.

Refreshments were served by the hostess and a social hour enjoyed.

## Personals

Mrs. Donald Boyd and children of Hartford, Conn., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. James Nicoll of Clark rd.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Spadoni and children of Natick visited Mrs. Mina Kibbee over the weekend.

Miss Mildred Grey formerly of



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## Inter-Church Basketball

The seventh round of games in the inter-church basketball league was completed Monday night with the following results:

## Juniors

Free 12 St. Joseph's 0  
B.V. Cong. 16 CYO 0  
Christ 10 Baptist 4

F. Nicoll and C. Fraser featured for the winners of the first game. C. Sharpe spurred the winners of the second contest to their victory. J. Holt and C. Dalton were the outstanding players for the winners of the third game.

## Intermediates

Christ 41 Baptist 9  
St. Augustine's 9, West Parish 8  
CYO 24 B.V. Cong. 8

H. Whitworth and H. Wadman starred for the winners of the first game. Outstanding team work was the feature of this very close game. C. Dwyer featured for CYO the winners of the third contest.

## Seniors

CYO 42 South 20  
St. Joseph's 53 Free 15  
B. Davey featured for CYO in this game, and W. Beardsell for South. W. McKee sparked St. Joseph's on to their victory over Free.

There will be no games next Monday, Dec. 26, however, the league will resume play Monday, Jan. 2.

the Vale renewed acquaintances here Sunday.

Christmas greetings have been received from the Lefebvre family formerly of Ballardvale and now residing in Culver City, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Peatman send greetings from their winter home at West Palm Beach, Fla.

To Sing Carols

Young people from the churches and members of the Ballateers will sing carols around the Vale on Christmas eve.

After the caroling a social hour will be held in the Community room. The carolers are greatly appreciated by the shut-ins.

## Pageant Presented

Sunday evening a pleasing pageant was presented in the Methodist church by a group of young people with Mrs. George Brown as narrator.

Mrs. Calvin Seifert and Mrs. Mallanson acted as organists for the pageant entitled "The Pageant of Kings". The Rev. Earl Haywood had charge of the devotional service. The choir assisted with special music.

Those taking part in the pageant included Alfred Duke, Frank Davis, Clifford Lawrence, George Nason, Richard Holmes, Gardner Townsend, Donald Ness, Paul Payne, William Davis, Joan Wilson and Joyce Lee Nason.

Santa Visits Methodists

The usual Christmas party for the pupils of the Methodist church Sunday school was held in the vestry on Monday evening.

Santa was present in the person of Alfred Duke and presented each child with a gift.

Before Santa arrived games were played and ice cream, cookies and candy were served by the committee Mrs. Henry Myers, Mrs. James Green and Mrs. Calvin Seifert.

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## Gym Team Candidates Called Out At Punchard

Coach Donald D. Dunn issued the call for his gym team recently and many boys who delight in this sport answered the call. The gymnastic team in Punchard is not a varsity sport, so therefore boys who are competing in track and basketball can also be members of the team. Punchard was not expected to have a team this year but there was so much a demand and enthusiasm over having just as fine a team as last year that Coach Dunn issued the call. This sport is one that depends on the individual himself. It takes practice and rigorous training to become a good gymnast.

Coach Dunn is proud of his boys and well he can be for his is a team that likes to work and practice to be perfect. Mr. Dunn is arranging several shows for this year's team.

## Son Outsmarts Dad

Walter was the proud owner of a black mongrel, which was a nuisance to the rest of the household. But Walter was so devoted to the dog that he could not be persuaded to part with it.

At last Walter's father made him an offer.

"My boy," he said, "I'll give you \$10 if you'll get rid of that dog."

The following morning Walter came to him and told him that the mongrel had gone.

"That's excellent news," said his father. "Here's the money. How did you get rid of him?"

Walter smiled as he pocketed the money.

"I swapped him with Reggie Jones for two black puppies."



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## Engagement

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Miss Ames is a senior at Smith college and attended the Green Vale school, Milton academy, and Chatham hall. She spent her junior year with the Smith group at the University of Geneva, Switzerland.

Mr. Abbot is a graduate of Phillips Exeter academy. He served a year in the navy, and expects to graduate in June from Harvard, where he is a member of the Hasty Pudding Institute of 1770, the Varsity and Delphi clubs.

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## Christmas

FREE CHRISTIAN

Christmas Eve, 11:30

Candlelight Service

Prelude: Cradle Song

Christmas Oration

In Dulci Jubilo

Pastoral Symphony

Antique De Noel

Processional: "O Come

Faithful"

Carol-anthem:

"On a Winter's Night"

"There was a Gentle

Hostler"

"It Came Upon the Mid-

dle"

"The First Noel"

Hymn: "Now the Ho-

ly is Born" Old Fre-

ymn: "O Little Town

of Bethlehem"

Christmas Meditation

ymn: "Silent Night"

Postlude: Pearly Carol

Christmas Day

Morning Worship, 11

Prelude: "From Heaven

Sinfonia to The Chris-

tmas

Processional: "O Come,

Faithful"

Hymn: "Gloria in Ex-

ult"

Song by the Primary De-

votional of the Church Scho-

ol: "In a Manger"

Hymn: "When Christ

was Born"

Hymn: "Seven-Fold A-

ngels"

Hymn: "The Angel a-

ngels"

Hymn: "Gesu Bambino"

Hymn: "Hark the Heral-

d Angels Sing"

Hymn: "Three

Kings"

Hymn: "Hallelujah, A-

ngels"

Processional: "Joy to th-

e"

Postlude: "Noel"

WEST PARISH CHURCH

Miss Marion Abbott, o-

rganist; Dean B. Hudgins,

choir

Christmas Day

Morning Worship, 10:

Organ Prelude: "The Ho-

ly is Born"

Processional Hymn: "O

Ye Faithful"

Christmas Carol by the

choir: "A Christmas Carol"

Hymn: "Pastorale"

Hymn: "The Childre-

n's recessional"

Hymn: "O Holy Night"

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## Christmas Music

### FREE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Christmas Eve, 11:30 p. m.  
Candlelight Service

Prelude: "Cradle Song from the Christmas Oratorio" Bach  
In Dulci Jubilo Bach  
Pastoral Symphony Handel  
Antique De Noel Adam  
Processional: "O Come All Ye Faithful" Wade

Carol-anthems:

"On a Winter's Night" Cronham

"There was a Gentle Hostler" Wilson

"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear"

"The First Noel"

Tertery: "Now the Holy Child is Born" Old French Carol

ymn: "O Little Town of Bethlehem" Redner

Christmas Meditation Gruber

ymn: "Silent Night" Noble

Postlude: Picardy Carol

Christmas Day

Morning Worship, 11 a. m.

Prelude: "From Heaven Above" Pachelbel

Sinfonia to The Christmas Oratorio Bach

Processional: "O Come, All Ye Faithful" Wade

them: "Gloria in Excelsis" Pergolisi

ong by the Primary Department of the Church School: "Away in a Manger"

them: "When Christ Was Born of Mary" Friedell

esponse: Seven-Fold Amen Stainer

tertery: "The Angel and the Shepherds" Traditional

"Gesu Bambino" Yon

ymn: "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" Mendelssohn

ry Sermon: Three Gifts for Christmas

them: "Hallelujah, Amen" Handel

essional: "Joy to the World" D'Aquin

Postlude: "Noel"

Christmas Day

Morning Worship, 10:30 a. m.

gan Prelude: "The Holy Night" Buck

essional Hymn: "O Come All Ye Faithful" Wade

Christmas Carol by the choir:

"A Christmas Carol" Fish

tertery: "Pastorale" Corelli

them by the Children's Choir

Children's recessional: "As with gladness men of old" Koehner

them: "O Holy Night" Adam

prano Solo by Mrs. Nick Paulino

ayer Response: "A Christmas Chime" Fish

oral Anthem: "Behold I bring you glad tidings" Churchill

o Parts by Mrs. Clarence Dimmock, tenor; and Mrs. Walter True, soprano

cluding Hymn: "Angels we have heard on High" French Carol

Postlude: "Ye watchers and ye holy ones" Martin

by an augmented choir of thirty voices.

### CHRIST CHURCH

Irvin Wilkinson,

Organist and Choirmaster

Christmas Eve, 11:15 p. m.

Carols and Holy Communion

gan Music at 11 o'clock:

"Tidings of Joy" Bach

"A Lovely Rose is Blooming" Brahms

"Noel" D'Aquin

essional Hymn: "O Come All Ye Faithful" Wade

Carols:

"Angels We Have Heard on High" French Carol

"O Little Town of Bethlehem" Redner

rie Eleison Tallis

tertery Anthems:

"Glory to God in the Highest" Pergolesi

"Alleluia, Kyrie Christe" Gaul

actus Lutkin

mmunion Hymn: "Of the Father's Love Begotten" Plainsong

Gloria in Excelsis Old Chant

elling Hymn: "Silent Night" Gruber

essional Hymn: "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" Mendelssohn

Postlude: Hallelujah chorus Handel

Christmas day, 10 a. m.

Holy Communion and Address

essional Hymn: "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" Mendelssohn

rie Eleison Tallis

anna: "Joy to the World"

tertery Carol: "Good Christian Men Rejoice" Lutkin

actus Old English Melody

mmunion Hymn: "Of the

### Father's Love Begotten

Plainsong

Carol: "Angels We Have Heard on High" French Carol

Recessional: "Angels From the Realms of Glory" Smart

### ST. AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH

Very Rev. Thomas P. Fogarty,

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Mary F. Lanigan

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Christmas eve

11:30 p. m.—Chimes:

Sleep Holy Babe

Away In a Manger

Hark, the Herald Angels Sing

Carols:

Angels We Have Heard on High

Come to the Manger

Joy to the World

Silent Night

With Glory Lit

O Little Town of Bethlehem

Jesu Bambino Yon

Processional: "Prince of Peace" Ashmall-Weiss

12 Midnight—Solemn High Mass

Kyrie Seymour

—MORE — MORE — MORE —

Gloria Seymour

Gradual: Nato Nobis Salvatore

Van Reyschoot

Credo Seymour

Offertory: "Adeste Fideles" Novello

Sanctus Seymour

Benedictus Seymour

Agnus Dei Seymour

Post Communion: "O, Holy Night" Adam

Recessional: Birthday of a King

Niedlinger

Soloists: Teresa Beaudoin, Mary

E. Sullivan, Mina Manthorne,

Abbie McLaughlin, James Sheard

Christmas day

9:45 a. m. Mass—Carols

by girls' choir

Night of Nights Van Der Watter

Soloist: Genevieve Murray

11:30 a. m. Mass—Carols

by senior choir

Soloists: Teresa Beaudoin, Mary

Sullivan, Mina Manthorne, Abbie

McLaughlin, James Sheard,

8:30 a. m., Mass, Children's choir

of St. Augustine's school.

Carols:

While Shepherds Watched their

Flocks

Silent Night

When Flowers Blossomed

Adeste Fideles

With Glory Lit

Long Was the Journey

### BAPTIST CHURCH

Christmas day, 10:45 a. m.

Prelude Choral: "O Hail This

Brightest Day of Days" Bach

"The Blessed Lullaby" Nevin

Christmas Cantata by the Youth

choir: "Tidings of Great Joy" Lester

Adult Choir: "Fear Not,"

(Luella Thompson, soloist)

Once in Royal David's City, Chorus

All my Heart this Night Rejoices,

Edna Woodhead

O Little Town of Bethlehem,

Chorus.

O Heard the Bells on Christmas

day, June Shattuck

The Shepherds Had an Angel,

Union Carol

All Creatures of our God and King,

Dorothy Gordon, Beulah Denni-



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son.  
Offertory music, 'cello, Oswald Vogel.

Postlude in C Bach  
Trumpet, Richard Dennison; trombone, Kenneth Dennison; Organ, Mrs. Linda Seuss Koehner.

### UNION CONGREGATIONAL

Christmas day

Prelude: "A Carol Phantasy" by Roland Biggle

Offertory: "A Christmas Lullaby" Albert A. Schmutz

Postlude: "Break Forth, Oh Beautiful Heavenly Light" Bach

Anthems:

"Sing, of Heaven" Tours

Carol of the Russian Children" Arr. by Gaul

(From White Russian)

Junior Choir:

"Silent Night, Holy Night"

### METHODIST CHURCH

(Ballardvale)

Christmas day, 9:45 a. m.

Prelude, Christmas carols,

arr. by Vibbard

Anthem, "To Bethlehem",

arr. by Keating

Hymns—

"Silent Night"

"Angels of the Realms of Glory"

"Joy to the World"

Organists, Mrs. Calvin Seiferth

and Mrs. Helen Mallinson

### Successful Christmas Party Held By Legion

A very successful Christmas party was conducted by Andover post, 8, American Legion at the post rooms last Thursday night.

A good variety of prizes were awarded during the evening and an entertaining program presented. This annual party provides the post with funds for its welfare and hospital work.

Commander Richard Wrigley wishes to thank the merchants who so generously contributed to the success of the event.

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### Santa Claus To Attend VFW Christmas Party

Santa Claus will be present at the Christmas party which Andover post, 2128, VFW, will hold at the post rooms at 2 p. m. Saturday, Dec. 24 for children of the members.

Besides having a pack full of presents for the young attendants Santa Claus will also show movies.

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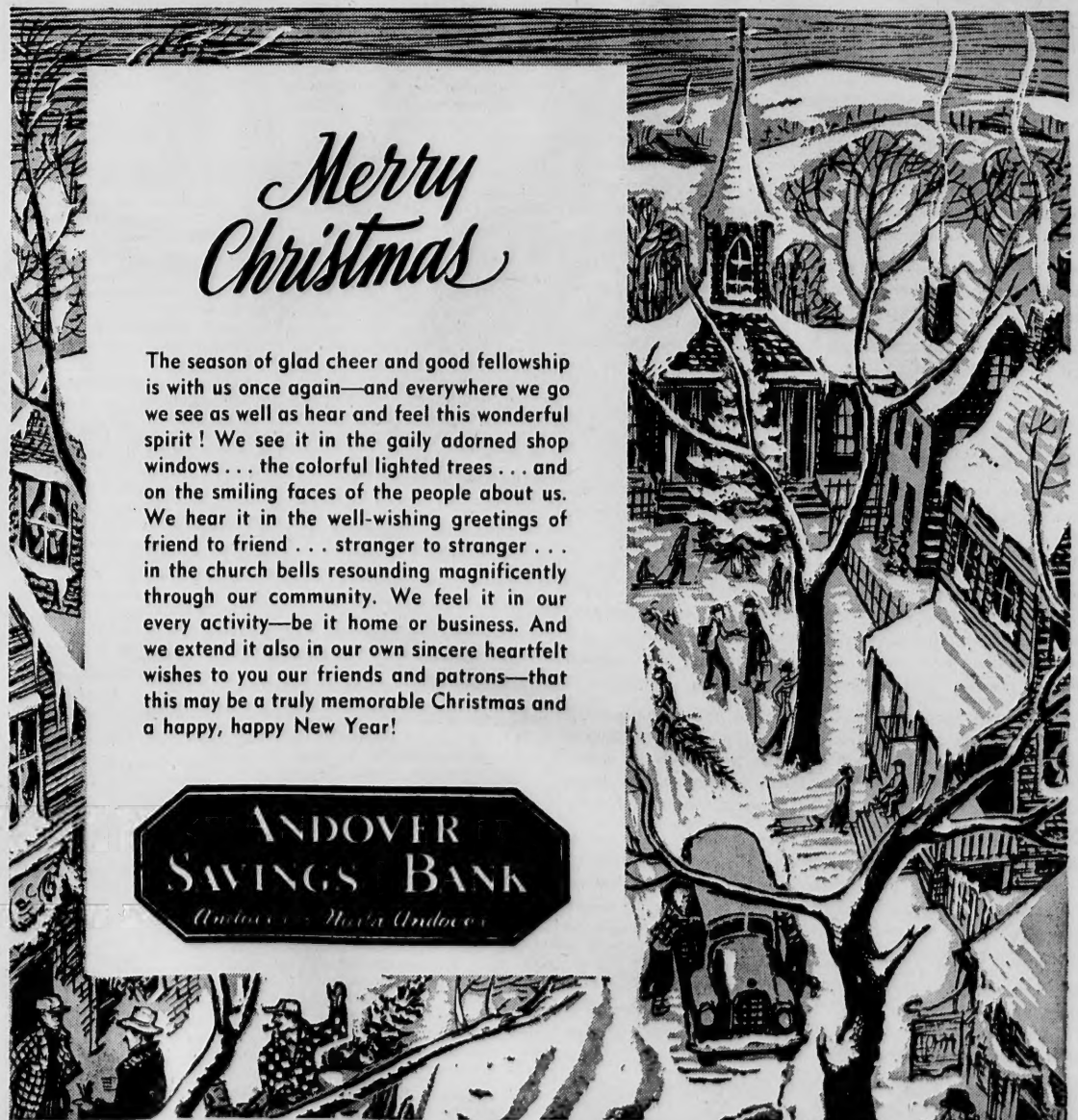
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## EDITORIAL THOUGHTS

### The First Christmas (According to St. Luke)

And it came to pass in those days that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed. And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria. And all went to be taxed every one to his own city. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David); to be taxed with Mary, his espoused wife, being great with child. And so it was that while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered.

And she brought forth her firstborn son; and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night, and lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them; and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, Fear not, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day, in the city of David, a Savior, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you: Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and singing, Glory be to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

### The Pre-Town Meeting

Much credit is due the Central PTA and the other local parent-teacher associations for their foresight in arranging for a pre-town meeting January 4 for the sole discussion of the school building problem with which the town is faced.

Their purpose is to give a whole evening to the topic for a thorough review of the pros and cons rather than having such an important subject squeezed into the short time that could be allowed for it at a town meeting when so many other matters have to be considered.

From preliminary discussions of the proposed plan to eventually replace all of the town's elementary schools except the Shawsheen, it is expected that the cost of such new building will run to a million dollars.

As the state is expected to pay 20 percent of the cost of new buildings (exclusive of land and equipment) the town's share will be about \$800,000, an item which should be given considerable deliberation before a final decision is reached.

Several persons closely identified with the survey and with the financial condition of the town will appear at the pre-town meeting at the Memorial auditorium to give their views on the subject.

The consultants engaged by the school committee to make the survey report, briefly, that the present elementary schools are antiquated and inadequate, that the population is growing, that the birthrate is increasing rapidly and is now reaching enrollment in the elementary grades, creating an immediate demand for more classrooms.

From the varying opinions expressed by different people in many parts of the town the open discussion period promises to be quite lively and interesting.

The whole problem concerns every parent and taxpayer. It should be well attended.

### Don't Let Death Take Your Holiday

The wreath is a traditional symbol of Christmas. In windows and on front doors of homes all over America, the bright red and green of holly will signify the joyous festivities of the holiday season.

For Christmastime should be a time of happiness. Every family looks forward to the joy and celebration that the holiday period should bring. But every year thousands of families in our country see Christmas joy turned into suffering and tragedy because of needless and preventable accidents.

The National Safety council points out that hundreds of persons are killed and thousands more injured by accidents during the Christmas-New Year's holiday season—the year's peak accident period. The No. 1 killer is traffic, and its death toll on Christmas day is two or three times the annual daily average.

To keep death from taking your holiday—or the holiday of your loved ones—is a simple thing. It costs nothing, takes no time and requires only a little effort. It only means being aware of the extra holiday hazards and of the extra caution, common sense and courtesy needed to overcome them.

Refuse to drink if you are driving. Wait for the light to change. Yield the right-of-way. Discard a string of Christmas tree lights with worn insulation. Throw away gift wrappings as soon as presents are opened.

These are little things—but they pay off big in holiday happiness.

## Views of The News

(Continued from Page One)

we would be consistent. We started out supporting Chiang. We finish up the same, regardless of consequences.

Might it be suggested that, pursuing the logical argument, we sever diplomatic relations with Russia. It is a communist nation too, and we have presumably surrendered to it by recognition. We should now logically make no attempt to deal with Tito of Yugoslavia, and certainly make no effort to pry Russian satellites loose from Moscow's control.

### The Past Must Guide Us

The issue whether or not even to consider Formosa as our problem depends precisely on what we are willing to pay for intervention. Formosa is tied with the past and with the future. By considering what has happened before we may come to a conclusion on what we should do. But before we make up our minds we'd better also see what will happen to the rest of Asia if we align ourselves more evidently with Chiang.

Chiang and his government must be understood for what they are today, not for what they were years ago. Back in 1943 Chiang was directly associated with the United States and Britain in forming a common front against Japan. China was to emerge from the war as the great power of East Asia, and as such to be a permanent member of the security council.

### Chiang Not A Great Leader

But these hopes never materialized into actual fact. Chiang refused to fight the war against Japan primarily. He refused to give General Stilwell full authority over combined Chinese and American forces for operations against the Japanese. He preferred to fight the Chinese communists despite attempts of the United States to unite all Chinese against the invader. In succession we sent out missions under Generals Hurley and Marshall.

Concurrently with his directive to General Marshall, President Truman let it be known that although the United States would not extend military intervention, it was providing transport facilities to the Nationalist government. This help assisted Chiang in the disarmament and evacuation of Japanese troops in liberated areas. But Chiang was anxious to get into Manchuria ahead of the Chinese communists.

### We Support Chiang in Manchuria

This venture was pursued against the warnings of General Wedemeyer, successor to Stilwell. Wedemeyer advised Washington in November 1945 that Chiang would be unable to occupy Manchuria for many years without agreement from the Chinese communists and Russia. But Washington backed the venture, while General Marshall attempted to mediate between Nationalists and Communists.

But by this time the weakness of Chiang became evident. Actually the decision as to who would occupy Manchuria rested with the Russians. They had garrisoned the country, and they timed their military withdrawal in April 1946 so as to permit the Chinese communists to move in.

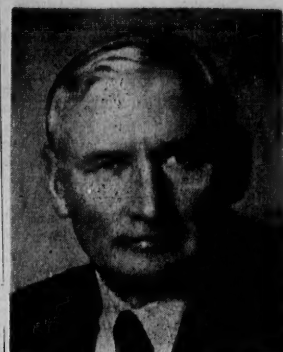
### And Become Identified With Reaction

From this moment not only was Chiang doomed to defeat if he persisted in north China; the Chinese communists now identified the United States with her enemy the Kuomintang government. And there was good cause for such identification. We had transported nearly 500,000 nationalist troops to north China. And Chiang used these troops against the Chinese communists. Was Chiang convinced that he'd drawn us in so deeply that we'd be obliged to support him to the end?

Then we found ourselves with a double problem. Not only were we taking sides against the communists. We now tried to reform the incompetent and reactionary Chiang regime. General Marshall and Ambassador Stuart repeatedly told Chiang that his only hope of success was to institute fundamental reforms that would cut the ground from under the communists' feet. General Marshall concluded an impossible mission in January 1947. But the administration hadn't yet recognized that the Chinese struggle was an internal one which no other nation could really influence conclusively.

(Mr. James will conclude this topic next week.)

## MEET—



WILLIAM C. FORD

A practicing attorney in Lawrence for nearly half a century, William C. Ford, a resident of Shawsheen Village, finds time to write fiction which has appeared in several national magazines, and with an inclination to fool with mechanical things has ingeniously fashioned a few gadgets for which he has been granted patents.

Well known throughout Essex county in the 49 years he has practiced law, Mr. Ford, a native of Lawrence, is active in the Lawrence and Essex Bar associations, is a past president of the Lawrence Lions club, a past president of the Lawrence chamber of commerce, and has occupied the same suite of office for the past 37 years.

He is a graduate of Lawrence High school, Georgetown college, Harvard college and Boston university law school.

Atty. and Mrs. Ford live at 17 York street and have been Andover residents for 25 years.

## Down the Years with The Townsman

### 50 Years Ago—December 1899

Christmas, Christmas; the glad Christmas-tide!

J. Lyman Belknap of Harvard Medical and John Belknap, quarterback on this year's football team at Phillips Exeter, both sons of L. A. Belknap of this place, sailed Wednesday on the steamer Admiral Dewey for Jamaica, where they will spend their Christmas vacation.

The Free church choir and orchestra rehearsed the Christmas anthems. H. F. Chase with his phonograph made an excellent record of the Gloria from Mozart's 12th mass.

Many students are spending their holidays at their respective homes in town.

Both the engine and the elevator for Tuttle and Morrison's new carriage shop have arrived and the elevator is being placed in position by two experts.

People have been making free with trees for Christmas purposes cut at P. J. Hannon's farm on the North Andover road. If anyone desires to get a tree they will be supplied by applying to Mr. Hannon.

Andover was well represented at the exhibit of the Merrimack Valley Poultry and Pet Stock Assoc. in city hall, Haverhill. F. H. Foster, John Buchanan, Newton Jacquith, Jr., and George Guthrie took many and special prizes.

Under the auspices of the Juvenile Missionary society an old fashioned supper and sale was successfully held in the West church vestry. Over 150 people were present, many of them from the centre district, having been conveyed to the place by barge through the kindness of Ammon Richardson.

### 25 Years Ago—December 1924

Special music planned for Sunday and Christmas day in all churches in Andover.

George Dutton of Burham road and George Clark of Shawsheen village left last week for St. Petersburg, Fla. They are making the trip over the road; it is a business trip and will extend over five months.

The Townsman compliments the Barnstormers on their ability to provide an evening of entertainment which all enjoyed. Andover people are indebted to them for their initiative in obtaining the much needed curtain at the town hall.

At the meeting of the Andover Natural History society, the Rev. C. Norman Bartlett, pastor of the Baptist church, read a paper on "Mountain Harvests and Trails."

The Legion offers its rooms to the Red Cross, the Mother's club

and any other organization or individuals who care to use it for the distribution of Christmas baskets.

The recent cold snap made excellent skating on the town's ponds and flats. However, parents should instruct children not to skate on the Shawsheen river near the mill where the current is strong as this keeps the river from freezing as quickly as still water.

The children entertained themselves as well as their parents at the Christmas tree and entertainment attended by 200 persons connected with Clan Johnston and held in Fraternal hall. A very enjoyable evening for all. Mrs. Thomas Holden had charge.

### 10 Years Ago—December 1939

The heaviest mail, both incoming and outgoing, in the history of Andover was reported this morning by postal authorities. About 20 carriers have been added, working in relays.

Attending the morning meeting of the Massachusetts Taxpayers' federation in Boston Saturday were Roy E. Hardy, Edmond E. Hammond, Frank R. Petty, J. Augustus Remington and Elmer J. Grover.

Honors were carried off by two Puncheon seniors at the 45th annual Goldsmith prize speaking contest in Memorial auditorium. Nancy Thomas, popular member of the girls' glee club won the girl's prize, while Donald McLaughlin, this season's football and basketball captain and vice-president of the senior class was the victorious boy.

The organists and choirs of Andover's churches have been busy the past several weeks planning and rehearsing their annual Christmas music programs. Because of the lovely and extensive carol programs in the church the Andover Male choir will not sing Christmas carols this year.

Miss Elizabeth Perry of Elm st. is visiting in Mississippi over the holidays.

## CHRISTMAS WAYS

Oh! Christmas days and Christmas ways  
Make the sweetest lays of all;  
And Christmas time and Christmas wine  
Is the fairest rhyme of all.

But without a Christmas beau  
And the Christmas mistletoe,  
Christmas won't be Christmas,  
after all!

— C. M. BAROUS

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## AT THE LIBRARY

Among the new books at the library are the following, many of which are on reserve. Readers are reminded that any book may be reserved by the penny postal system:

### Because Of The Lockwoods

Whipple  
Thea Hunter was more than disgraced by being sent home for failing in love; her girlish venture gave new fuel to the flame of the constant effort of the Lockwood family to humble the Hunter clan. From this episode, she concentrated her forces for revenge. To Every Man a Penny Marshall  
The story of a simple man who recognized God's beauty in all life about him; Bruce Marshall, the author, has also written "Vespers in Vienna," "The World, the Flesh and Father Smith," and "Father Malachy's Miracle."

### Four-Square

Fisher  
Seventeen of Dorothy Canfield Fisher's finest stories, as they have appeared in magazines. Now, all are revised, some entirely rewritten; the main characters range from infants to octogenarians. Excellent, solid Vermont atmosphere.

### The Gamester

Sabatini  
The time is that period in French history following the death of Louis XIV; the main character, John Law, is an exiled Scot and a financial wizard.

### Green Boundary

Ilyin  
A handful of human beings, trying to work together in a city filled with mistrust and deception, point up the terrific problem that is the conflict of the Eastern and Western mind. Paul Radonov, major in the U.S. army, falls in love with Marya Lubinova, a Red army interpreter, steeped in the Russian tradition. An exciting, thought-provoking novel.

emberley Shades Bonavia-Hunt  
Almost at the moment when Helen Ashton publishes "Parson Austen's Daughter," the story of Jane Austen, Dorothy Bonavia-Hunt brings out a delightful continuation of Jane Austen's "Pride and Prejudice." Those who know the story of "Pride and Prejudice" will find that this new work is a worthy addition.

### The River Line

Morgan  
To the three people, an American, an Englishman and a French girl, meeting in England after the war, the most powerful influence in their presence is that of a character whom they all loved, who is dead. This novel is typical of Morgan's sensitive, forceful writing—a keen, psychological drama.

### LIBRARY TO CLOSE EARLY

The Memorial Hall library will close at 1 p. m. Saturday, Dec. 24. The library door has a book slot through which books may be left. Borrowers of recordings are reminded that this system is not meant for records which may be broken by the weight of books dropped in later.

### PICTURE WINDOWS

Misuse of the picture window—essentially a very good idea—is turning American houses into fish bowls, says the January issue of House Beautiful magazine. Pointing out that the picture window should not be a "show window" in which to display furniture, the editors call it "a device to let in light and sun and a view." They recommend that some sort of screening be installed in the front yard to block the view from the street when picture windows must be placed on that side of the house. Such screening can be achieved with picturesque fences or plantings.

### MOLDY BREAD

There's no need to call the doctor if you find you've eaten bread that has started to mold. Fact is that molds which commonly grow on bread are quite harmless. However, says Good Housekeeping magazine, you'll usually find that the bread has developed an "off" flavor. The unmolded part of the bread is perfectly good to use.

### ON STORING MEAT

Be sure to unwrap fresh raw meat and poultry before you store them in the refrigerator. Spoilage is delayed by allowing the surface of the meat to come in contact with air. Good Housekeeping magazine explains that the slight drying out appears to curb the growth of bacteria.

### The Sure Thing

Miller  
Thirty-six hours after Brad Douglas first realized that a man was following him, the whole story was on the front pages of the newspapers, and his own life was shattered. A novel of humans who become inhuman, of violence, of hatred and of love.

### Leaves in the Wind

Thomas  
A beautiful bit of writing, and a story of profound emotions. In 1835, in Wales, John Adams, a worker in a foundry in Moonlea, tried to organize his friends against the hard ironmasters, with violent and terrifying results.

Five mystery novels—The Cannibal Heart, Millar; I Am Afraid, Lobaugh; Below Suspicion, Carr; Trial And Terror, Treat; Where The Snow Was Red, Pentecost.

### STUDY CLASSES

If there are those readers who still intend to express a choice in the selection of study classes to be held in the library early in the year, it would be wise to make some comment in the near future. The selection of the subjects depends on the interest shown beforehand. At present most questionnaires prove the popularity of "Discussion of a Great Book" and the lecture course "A Woman and Her Money."

### RUG COURSE

The first 10 weeks of the course in rug-hooking which is being given under Essex county extension in the Memorial Hall library ended on Friday, Dec. 9. The first meeting on the second part, open only to those who attended the first ten weeks, will be on the first Friday in February.

The Georgia Warm Springs foundation, to aid persons suffering from infantile paralysis, was established by Franklin D. Roosevelt in 1927.



### COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

All commissioners of the North Essex council will meet at the Scout office, 31 Jackson st., Lawrence at 7:30 p. m., Friday, Dec. 30.

### Executive Board Meeting

The following members of the Andover District committee attended the recent meeting of the council executive board Wednesday, Nov. 30: Dr. Nathaniel Stowers, advancement chairman; Walter Caswell, district commissioner; and F. Tyler Carlton, leadership training chairman.

### Unit News

Troop 73 of the South church met Friday, Dec. 16 under the leadership of Leslie Mullin, scoutmaster. Walter Caswell, district commissioner visited the troop. A program of scout work and games was enjoyed. The troop has made a good showing in advancement during the year, and also in camping and hiking.

Troop 75 of St. Augustine's parish was tendered a pre-Christmas party in the school hall Tuesday, Dec. 20. A full program of moving pictures, gifts, and refreshments gave the boys a fine evening.

Boy Scout troop 72 and Explorer post 72 of the Free church held a Christmas party Friday, Dec. 16. The party was in charge of Fred Schaberg, post advisor, and Howard Johnson, Arthur Schwarzenberg, the Rev. Levering Reynolds, Jr., troop committeemen.

Each boy or groups of two or three put on skits and stunts. Among these was a mystery skit by Calvin Hatch and Peter Caswell in which Scout Hatch and others drove knives and miscellaneous weapons into Scout Caswell's head

after he was covered by a sheet. Arthur Schwarzenberg entertained with rope tricks, Richard Parker put on a numbers trick, and Calvin Hatch drew pictures and offered some card tricks. The boys had refreshments of sandwiches, tonic and cake after which Fred Schaberg, post advisor, entertained at the blackboard with tricks.

Troop 72 will not meet until the first Friday after the first of January. Explorers are asked to bring their projects to their next meeting.

### Den Room

Walter Caswell, district commissioner recently had the opportunity of seeing a den room and meeting place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Edwards of Salem st. Mrs. Edwards is a den mother of Pack 72 of the Free church and her son Billy, is a cub scout. The room was well equipped with Cub scout banners and equipment and had all the ear-

marks of a swell place for the cubs to meet.

### District Changes

The district committee is being reorganized and a new roster will be announced after the first of the year. Calvin Metcalf, chairman, is retiring from that office and will represent camping and activities next year. Everett MacAskill, former scoutmaster, will serve on the district committee during 1950. During the past year Mr. Metcalf, in addition to his chairmanship duties, was instrumental in Andover's outstanding attendance at Camp Onway and was of great assistance to the North Essex council camping committee.

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### CHURCH NOTES

The annual meeting and supper of the West Parish church will be held in the church vestry on Wednesday evening, Dec. 28. A catered supper will be served at 6:30 p. m. to which all members and friends of the church are invited. The meeting, with reports of the various church organizations, will follow the supper.

The regular morning service of the West church will be held Sunday at 10:30 a. m., and there will be only one service. All are invited to attend.

### Birthday Party

Miss Deanna Hudgins entertained a group of her schoolmates last Thursday afternoon in honor of her tenth birthday. Games were played and carol singing was enjoyed. The dining room was attractively decorated in pink and blue and a delicious supper was served by Mrs. Hudgins. Those who attended were: Nancy and Beverly Hird, Betty Heinz, Penny McCabe, Judy Clough, Dorothy Fischer, Elizabeth Barsamian, Jane DesRoche, Elaine Whitney and Deanna Hudgins.

### Pre-Christmas Party

Mr. and Mrs. John Rasmussen entertained a group of their friends at a pre-Christmas party at their home on Lowell st. on Sunday. The home was decorated in Christmas colors for the occasion, and a delicious turkey dinner was served by the hostess. Those present were: Dr. and Mrs. Victor Dahl and family of Lowell, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Nelson of Lowell, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Norst of Roxbury, Mr. and Mrs. Illeman of Dedham, Miss Elsie Rasmussen of Boston, and Robert Cotten of New York City.

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### Lewis Christmas Party

A very gay and joyous Christmas party was held for the adult members of the Lewis family at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Northey on Sunday evening. Games and singing were enjoyed and a buffet supper was served. Gifts were also exchanged. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Ewing of Swampscott, Mr. and Mrs. Ellery Metcalf and Marjorie Metcalf, and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Metcalf of Saugus, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lewis of Chelmsford, Mr. and Mrs. Carlton White of Whitman, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Peatman, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lewis and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Kneath.

### Personals

Friends of Mrs. William Jacques will be pleased to learn that she has returned from the Massachusetts General hospital, and is recuperating at her home.

William G. McKeown, who is a freshman at Hobart college, Geneva, N. Y., is at his home on Lowell st. for the holidays.

Private 1/c Arthur McCabe of the U. S. marine corps, who is stationed at Camp LeJeune, N. C. is at his home on Porter rd. for the Christmas season.

Mrs. William Stewart of High Plain rd. and Mrs. Halbert W. Dow of Beacon st. visited with Mrs. Winton Ramsey of Taunton last Monday.

Russell Doyle, a freshman at Colgate university, Hamilton, N. Y., is at his home on Chandler rd. for the season's holidays.

Miss Ruth Ann Chadwick and her roommate, Miss Jacqueline Gocher of Southbridge are at the home of Miss Chadwick's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Chadwick. They are both students at Mount Holyoke college.

Paul Gibbons, who is a student at Notre Dame university, South Bend, Ind., is at his home on Shawsheen rd. for the holiday season.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kearns and daughter have moved from Pleasant st. to South Main st.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Stevens and daughters, Virginia and Shirley, spent the weekend in Braintree, Vt. Mrs. Thresher of Braintree returned with them to enjoy the Christmas holidays at their home on Virginia rd.

Donald and Robert Henderson have recently returned to their home on Haggetts pond rd. after attending the National Junior Vegetable Growers' association convention held in Washington, D. C. They are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Renwick Henderson, and are engaged in farming with their father on his farm on Haggetts Pond rd. Mr. Henderson was recently elected secretary of the Essex County Vegetable Growers' association.

Mrs. Florence Clemmer of Berlin is visiting at the Duguid home on Lowell st.

### Shopper's Battle

The tall, dignified man joined the crowd in front of a bargain counter, in an attempt to get a very special pair of hose for his wife. He inched his way patiently, but was buffeted here and there by the women, and made no progress.

Suddenly he lowered his head, stretched out his arms, and barged through the crowd.

"Can't you act like a gentleman?" inquired a cold feminine voice at his elbow.

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### P.H.S. Basketball Squad Prepares For Opener

By Joseph Rayball

The Pynchard basketball team has really been working hard lately in preparation for its schedule of games this year. Last Wednesday the squad held a lengthy scrimmage with some of the graduates and town players in preparation for the tilt with Stoneham Tuesday, which was the schedule opener.

Tonight the local five consisting of Sid Watson, Joe Stack, forwards, Charlie McCollum center, and Capt. Charlie Dwyer and Nick Maucerie, guards, will face rival Johnson on the local court with the games schedule to start at 7:30 o'clock.

Next Wednesday at 7:30 p. m., the locals will meet the alumni which will consist only of the graduates of the past three years. Some of the players expected to make

up the alumni team are Bruce Noble, Cliff Dubois, Jack Barry, John Yancy, Bob Wetterberg, Red Kydd, Maurice Shea, John Craig, Bob Deyermund, Alan Chetson and several more.

### HOMEMAKERS' ALCOVE

Free material of interest to parents, homemakers and teachers often comes to the library. Much of it is placed in the homemakers' alcove, with an invitation to the reader to make use of it.

The first non-stop flight from New York to Paris in an airplane was Chas. A. Lindberg, who made the flight in 1927.

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## JUNIOR

### CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Congratulations are for Miss Mabel Marsh Katherine Barrett, Mrs. McArdle, Mrs. Alberta C. all other teachers and friends working untiringly to Christmas pageant, "O to Bethlehem", such a success. Last Friday the rehearsal was enjoyed by high pupils, Stowe and schools. Sunday the friends of the participants of the presentation.

### Dance Committee

Mrs. Anna Walsh, chair the dance committee, expressed hopes that dance would be equally as good if not better. We more ninth graders will the dances. Plans for a Valentine's day dance discussed. "Thanks" to Jerry who did a swell job of ceremonies.

### Notes

Christmas vacation again. The Christmas strong among the pupils. Santa will be kind to School will resume after the second of Janu



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## JUNIOR HIGH

By MARY E. BISHOP

### CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Congratulations are in order for Miss Mabel Marshall, Miss Katherine Barrett, Mrs. Miriam McArdle, Mrs. Alberta Crosby and all other teachers and friends who worked untiringly to make the Christmas pageant, "O Come Ye to Bethlehem", such a splendid success. Last Friday the dress rehearsal was enjoyed by the junior high pupils, Stowe and Jackson schools. Sunday the friends and relatives of the participants saw the presentation.

### Dance Committee

Mrs. Anna Walsh, chairman of the dance committee, was very pleased with the last dance and expressed hopes that the next dance would be equally as well attended if not better. We hope that more ninth graders will head for the dances. Plans for a probable Valentine's day dance are being discussed. "Thanks" to James Curry who did a swell job as master of ceremonies.

### Notes

Christmas vacation is here again. The Christmas spirit is strong among the pupils we hope Santa will be kind to them all. School will resume after vacation on the second of January 1950.

And by the way start the New Year off right.

Junior high school basketball practice was postponed last Tuesday because of the Punchard-Stoneham basketball game.

Report cards will be issued during the first week of school in the new year. Honor cards will be presented in a special assembly.

The cooking classes of the seventh and eighth grades have had an enjoyable week making sugar cookies of various Christmas shapes with delicious colored icing.

School will close Thursday morning at 11 o'clock at which time grades for the second term will end.

The girls glee club led by Mrs. Miriam McArdle assisted the Shawshen Women's club last Thursday evening in the singing of carols. This was held in the Shawshen school hall.

The attention of pupils was called to the condition of the grounds. Signs were placed in strategic spots requesting pupils not to cross or trespass due to muddy grounds. They are asked to take pride in the appearance of their school.

### New Colors For Lingerie Make Serviceable Gifts

Beguiling new colors like spice-beige, sable brown, and periwinkle blue make lingerie better-than-ever Christmas gifts for yourself and every woman on your list. The fabrics are wispy and delicate, but wear like iron, says Hildegarde Fillmore, who describes some of these beautiful holiday presents in McCall's for December:

"A moss-green robe with an orchid lining is made of wonderful flaring rayon taffeta adapted from a Dior cocktail coat. Lake-blue is the color of slim-fitting nylon crepe petticoat with appliqued nylon net flounce. Unusual for nightwear is a sea-green gown with a graceful flowered bodice, elegantly cut in purest silk.

"Spice-beige, an exciting new shade in rayon crepe, is the color of a slip with imported lace at hem and neckline. There is also periwinkle-blue for a dainty nightgown of rayon crepe. The elbow-length sleeves are elasticized and there's flattering lace around the neck. A mist-white peignoir in gossamer nylon tricot has embroidered pastel dots on the deep yoke.

"Sable-brown is a rich, warm color for a winter slip. One model comes in woven nylon edged with nylon lace. Seashell-pink nylon crepe sets off a nightgown with rich border of white lace. It has a full skirt and a halter top. Sun-yellow is a gay color for a camisole gown of rayon crepe and white lace beaded with a bright yellow ribbon."

## PUNCHARD HIGH

By JANET THOMPSON

### GOLDSMITH CONTEST

Members of the English department have chosen the following students to participate in the annual Goldsmith prize-speaking contest, which will be held Friday, Jan. 27, 1950: Seniors, Gregory Arabian, Virginia Stevens; Juniors Arthur Mooney, Bessie Christie; Sophomores, Raeburn Hathaway, Regina Levin.

The procedure of this contest take place in the Memorial auditorium from 12:30 to 2 p. m., will be different from that of previous years. In addition to a two or three minute memorized selection, each participant will be requested to give a five minute reading from "Western Star", a book of poetry by Stephen Vincent Benet. Copies of this book have been distributed to the contestants, who are to familiarize themselves with the contents. On the day of the contest these students, who are being coached by Mervin E. Stevens of the faculty, will be assigned or will draw a selection to read. Contestants will be judged for their intelligent understanding and interpretation, with the final decisions being based chiefly on the readings rather than the memory selections.

During the program the Punchard boys' glee club will render several songs.

### Assemblies

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## Schools Present Yuletide Programs

Several school presented their Christmas programs this week under the direction of their teachers. Practically all of the programs were centered about the story of Bethlehem or of Santa Claus.

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Recitation: "Signs of Christmas" by David Murphy, Alice Vartabedian, John Ozoonian, David Henderson, Phyllis Bailey, James Lizotte, Betty Nicholas, Linda Henderson and John Sutton.

Song: "Silent Night", the solo in German by Kim Holten, then in English by grades 1 and 2.

Recitation: "Christmas Always" by Judith West, Carol Ann Essonian, and Norma Jean Pentman.

Song: "Christmas Bells" by grades one and two.

Announcer: Thomas Kelly.

Grades III and IV

M. R. Cronin, Teacher  
Announcer: Robert Tisbert.

Welcome: Neil Morgan.

Recitation: Merry Christmas, Susan Treanor.

Recitation: Christmas Helpers, Carol Ann Winkley.

Poem: A Christmas Atmosphere, Marcia Belding.

Recitation: Santa Claus, David Rollins.

Recitation: How I Played Santa, Rosemary Ozoonian.

Poem: Christmas Gifts, Carol Becotte.

Carol: The First Nowell, Thomas Sutton, Alice Mosher, Christine Sutton, Dorothy Fischer, Alan Henderson, Michele Denise, Robert Tisbert, Beverly Hird, John Denise, William Nicoll.

Recitation: Christmas Bells, Alice Mosher.

Recitation: Secrets, Marta Morris.

Piano Selection: Silent Night, Jean Arnold.

Recitation: Christmas Time, Celia Grant.

Recitation: Riding With Santa, Harvey Richardson.

Dialogue: Little Snowflakes, Pauline and Janet Tisbert.

Recitation: Don't Spy, Edward Fortuna.

Song: Merry Christmas, Rose Marie Picard, Neil Morgan, Carol Ann Winkley, Celia Grant, Marcia Belding, Pauline Tisbert, Kenneth Van Coppenole, Dorothy Fischer, Marta Morris, William Nicoll, Edwin Merrick and Alice Mosher.

Recitation: A Christmas Eve Thought, Alan Henderson.

Recitation: My Answer, William Nicoll.

Reading: A Voice for Santa, Kenneth Van Coppenole.

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Recitation: In Bethlehem, Jean Arnold.

Recitation: Come In, Edwin Merrick.

Recitation: Christmas Time, Beverly Hird.

Reading: Long, Long Ago, Rose Marie Picard.

Recitation: The Modern Santa, Richard Brown.

Christmas Carols: Grades I, II, III, and IV.

**BRADLEE SCHOOL**

The annual Christmas party of the Bradlee school of Ballardvale was given Tuesday afternoon.

Each grade took part in the program. Santa was impersonated by Timothy Haggerty, and he greeted each child and gave them gifts provided by the Ballardvale PTA and other interested parties. Mrs. Frank Green was chairman of the committee on arrangements, assisted by the room mothers.

The program follows:

**Kindergarten**  
Verse: Santa Claus, Alice Schwartz.

Song: Christmas candle, Kindergarten.

Verse: Oh Clap, Clap the Hands, Karen Grant.

Song: Christmas tree, Kindergarten.

Verse: Merry Christmas, Allen Taylor.

**Grade One**  
Song: Jingle Bells, Rhythm Band, Craig Warner, conductor.

Recitation: I Heard a Bird Sing, Peggy Williamson.

Song: That Very First Christmas Night.

Recitation: The 24th of December, Patty Butler.

Song: I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day.

Play: The elves and the shoemaker Shoemaker, Harry Fisher.

His wife, Barbara Harrington.

Elves, Bobby Spinney, Carl Finley; Customers, Donald Kepis, Carolanne Shaw, Edwin Davidson, Janet Sherry, Jonathan Langdell, Ruth Hall, Gerald Davis, Jean Ward, and Diane Johnson.

**Grades 2 and 3**  
Song: Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer, Larry and Linda Mitchell.

Verse: Santa Claus and the Mouse, Ruth Perry, Richard Meyers, Elizabeth Payne, Donald Boyd, John McIntyre, David Babine, Linda Mitchell, William Smeltzer, Gail Davidson, Robert Newcomb, Joyce Robinson, Marilyn Walde.

Song: The First Noel, Grades 2 and 3.

Verse: Christmas Boxes, David Bouleau, Robert Brown, Marjorie Carroll, Barbara Ferris, Rene Roy, Richard Goodwin.

Song: Silent Night, Barbara Partridge.

Verse: What Makes Christmas, Donald Lawrence, Rosanne Lyle, Stuart Henderson, Charles Goff, Roy Sharpe.

Song: Away in a Manger, David Babine, David Grant, Donald Lawrence.

Verse: Christmas Always: Richard Grant, William Lowrie, David Grant.

Song: O Little Town of Bethlehem, Roy Sharpe, Donald Lawrence, Barbara Partridge, David Babine, David Grant.

Verse: Signs of Christmas, Judith Webb, William Newcomb, William Robinson, Gloria Lowrie, Jacqueline Lakin, Barbara Partridge, Larry Mitchell, Richard Smalley, Marjorie Hunt.

God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen, Donald Boyd, Richard Smalley, John McIntyre.

Song: O Come All Ye Faithful, Grades II and III.

**Grades 3 and 4**  
Recitation: The Very First Christmas, Roberta MacCauley, Barbara Hoffman, Sandra Fairweather.

Recitation: The Star, Mary Taylor, William A. Davis, Barbara Forsythe, Robert Carroll, Paula Coates.

Recitation: The Truest Christmas, Bruce Meyers.

Song: The Christmas Tree.

Recitation: Christmas Morning, Norma Kibbee, Curtis Blinn, Allan Smeltzer, John Crawford, Janet Bouleau.

Recitation: The Five and Ten At Christmas, Frederick Hall.

Recitation: A Christmas Eve Adventure, Jeffrey Hall, William Davison, Carol Scoble, Robert Colpitts, Frank Froburg, Rita Harkins, Robert Haggerty, Beverly Sparks, William H. Davis, Joan McCarthy, Ruth Smith, Norman Roy, Russell Robinson, George Lyle, Betty Ann Lumenello, George Reed, Darlene Payne.

Piano Selection: Robert Colpitts.

**Grades 5 and 6**  
Miss Loux  
Poem: The Three Kings, Richard Carroll, Warren Russell, Anne Ward, Leah Henderson, Ray Youmans, Jackie MacMillan and Richard Nolin.

Song: Rudolph the Red-nosed Reindeer, Dennie Mills, Frank O'Hara, Danny McIntyre, David Robinson and Roger Roy.

Poem: Sky Christmas Gifts, Clifford Sharpe.

Poem: What Can I Give Him, Thelma Sparks.

Song: O Little Town of Bethlehem, Joan Jedrey, Barbara Wakefield.

Poem: Why Do Bells at Xmas Ring, Joan Wilson.

Poem: Christmas in the Heart, Anne Perry.

Song: Noel, Joyce Nason, Julia Zielinski, Anne Ward and Patty Smalley.

The Night Before Christmas Paul Payne.

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Poem: The Friendly Beasts, Ann Froburg, Gail Goodwin and Jane Hall.

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## Personals...

John P. Wait, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Wait, Ballardvale rd., has returned from his studies at Vermont academy, for the Christmas recess. Wait recently received a junior varsity football letter at the school's fall sport banquet. He is also in the Glee club.

Douglas Hart, 52 Whittier st. is employed by Elander and Swanton, during the Christmas holidays.

Frederick Teichert, a student at the University of Florida, is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred E. Teichert, So. Main st.

Home from college to spend the Christmas holidays with their parents Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Pettit, 2 Beech circle, are Emily Pettit, a senior at Trinity college, Washington, D. C., and Joyce Pettit, a sophomore at Chestnut Hill college, Philadelphia, Pa.

Miss Genevieve E. Murray, a third year student at Radcliffe, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James J. Murray, 29 Bartlet st. Miss Murray recently took part in the Messiah presentation sponsored by the Radcliffe and Harvard Glee clubs, given in Saunders theatre, Cambridge.

Robert Deyermund, student at University of N. H., is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert V. Deyermund, 91 Elm st.

Ralph Robertshaw has returned to his duties at the Andover playhouse following a recent illness.

Mrs. Allen LeLachur of 34 Elm st. has returned from the Lawrence General hospital, following a recent illness.

Mrs. Mary Manning of 44 Chestnut st. recently underwent an operation at the Lawrence General hospital.

Chairman Roy E. Hardy of the board of assessors and selectmen was elected treasurer of the Essex County Assessors association at a meeting last week in Wenham.

Charles F. Naylor of 15 Burnham rd., has completed a course in radio at the National Radio Institute, Washington, D. C. for which he has been awarded a diploma.

The Ladies Benevolent society of Phillips academy donated \$10 and more than 60 gifts for the children at the Andover Guild. These were distributed at the Christmas party Wednesday.

Miss Mary E. Waddington, a sophomore at Lincoln school, Providence, R. I., is at home for the Christmas holidays. She is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Earl Waddington of 84 Walnut ave.

Miss Joan Blanchette, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Curran, Jr., is home from the House in the Pines for the Christmas holidays. Miss Blanchette is president of the glee club and was soloist in a recent club concert.

Wilson Knipe, III, received his bachelor of science degree in business administration at the commencement exercises of Ohio State university.

David Graham, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Phillips Graham of 6 Johnson rd., a senior at Nichols Junior college, Dudley, has been awarded his varsity letter in cross country.

David M. Abbot, son of John R. Abbot, 72 Central st., was recently elected from a field of 69 candidates to the 1950 permanent class committee at Harvard college.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bayliss have moved from Virginia road to 60 Center st., Ballardvale.

Mr. and Mrs. James Doherty have returned from a trip through the Southern states, and are now living in their apartment at 66½ High st.

Mr. and Mrs. James Cunningham of North Andover are living at 48 Center st., Ballardvale.

Dr. and Mrs. E. C. Berry of the Caronel apartments at 98 Main st. have moved to 98 Chestnut st.

Mr. and Mrs. George Duxbury of 63 Park st. have moved to 38 Main st.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Smith of Chicago, daughter Nancy Jean, 14, are recent new comers to Andover.

Mr. Smith is connected with the Bolta Rubber Co. of Lawrence. They are now living at the McLanathan house in Bancroft lane.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Drummond of Newton Highlands are occupying their new home on West-

wind rd., which is a new street on the Burton land. Mr. Drummond is a partner in the Lawrence firm of Susie Sweets.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter B. Spencer and son of Greenfield, moved to Andover recently. They are occupying the Drouin house at 115 Abbot st. Mr. Spencer is assistant manager of the Lawrence Lumber Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Melvin Flynn of Winchester, have recently built a new home on Woburn st. They have a young son, Ralph Melvin Flynn, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. John F. Lambert of Boston have moved to Andover, and are making their home at 13 Brook st. Mrs. Lambert is a sister of the late Edith Sellars.

Miss Miriam Putnam entertained a few friends at an informal party at her home on High st. Sunday.

Mrs. Avis Sanderson of Main st. is spending the Christmas holidays with her daughter, Mrs. Arthur Wheelock of White Plains, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Baldwin of Cambridge are expected to spend Christmas in Andover with Mr. Baldwin's sister, Miss Clara Baldwin of Summer st.

Mr. and Mrs. James Busher and son have moved from 111 Main st. to the Caronel apartments at 98 Main st.

Miss Elise Eades entertained a group of friends at a Christmas tea at her home on Bartlet st. Sunday afternoon.

Miss Gertrude L. Buys of New York City is spending the winter at the home of Miss Ethel Brown on Bartlet st.

## Shawsheen Pole Locations Denied

(Continued from Page One)

the street and presented a petition for five lights to be placed on new wooden poles to be erected easterly from Lowell street.

Residents of Canterbury street objected to the wooden poles and requested that steel standards be used.

At Monday night's meeting George Frost of the utilities company explained the costs of various types of lights and installations, and after further discussion it was voted to deny the petition, but made arrangements to have

two new lights placed further up the street.

A delegation of property owners from William street presented their objections to a petition requesting six pole locations on the north side of their street, westerly from Sherbourne street.

E. A. Wilson Co. was granted permission to store 3000 gallons of oil out their premises on Railroad st.

A communication from the state commissioner of public health regarding minimum standards of fitness for human habitation, was read and referred to the board of health.

## MOTHERS' CLUB

The Andover Mothers' club held their annual Christmas dinner party recently. About 20 members attended and an exchange of gifts was made.

## P.H.S. Quintets Lose Openers To Stoneham

Punchard high's basketball teams got off to an inauspicious start when they opened the season against Stoneham Tuesday night. The varsity five dropped its game 51-41, and the Jayvees finished the short end of a 31-19 score.

Charlie Dwyer, Punchard captain, was forced to leave the game shortly after the third quarter due to the recurrence of a knee injury suffered during the football season. His appearance against Stoneham at the Memorial gym tonight is uncertain.

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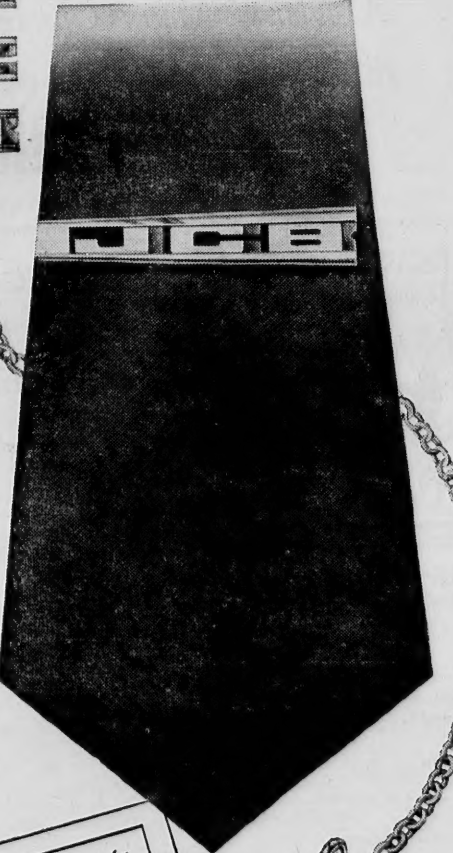
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| Waldorf Salad   |                                |
| French, 1000 Island or Roquefort Dressing                     |                                |
| Old Fashioned Plum Pudding, Hard or Brandy Sauce              |                                |
| Green Apple Pie   | Pumpkin Pie                    |
| Hot Mince Pie with Cheese                                     | Home Made Dark Fruit Cake      |
| Strawberry Ice Cream  |                                |
| Vanilla Ice Cream   | Peppermint Stick Ice Cream     |
| Orange Sherbet  |                                |
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## VIEWS OF THE NEWS

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The Truman administration again with an eye to China, John Leif reported that much of the strength in the proportion to the income of the masses. "One can be certain that with the passage of time the government could hold alike on the income of the masses." But the masses.

From December 1st to January 1st, 1949, China proceeded rapidly to disintegrate. The results of the policy of the United States are now being felt.

The Wedemeyer Report

Successive secretaries of the United States have for the past several years reported that in China the Kuomintang government is corrupt, inefficient, and incapable of leading the Chinese people to a better future. The party is accused of being a mere clique of self-interest, and of being unable to preserve the country from the forces of chaos. The report also states that the Kuomintang government is unable to maintain law and order, and that the Chinese people are suffering from the consequences of the civil war.

## Baby Sitters Establishes

Flourishing at the corner of Brook street with its activities is a new Baby Sitters' club which has established a rate list and a telephone survey.

It was the consensus of opinion that 35 cents an hour for both afternoon and evening was a fair rate with the exception of extra duty for doing the dishes, putting the children to bed, feeding, and getting an evening meal. The rate is one cent an hour. All sitters should be experienced and of good character.

A new dance club has been formed to sponsor dances. There will be dances at the guild.

William Doughty, who has been custodian at the Andover Inn for a number of years has been elected to the position of guild secretary. Peter B. Doughty, who has also been custodian at the inn, is now assisting in the program.

The basketball team of the Andover Inn will be reorganized for the new year. The junior team will play Tuesday afternoon and the senior team Tuesday evening. The intermediates will play on Wednesday.

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